

REMARKS

Claims 19-36 are pending. Claims 19-36 are allowed. Claim 19 has been objected to because of various informalities. Claims 19 and 32 have been amended. Claims 1-18 have been cancelled in previous Office Action responses. No new matter has been added.

The Declaration has been noted as being defective because non-initialed and/or non-dated alterations have been made to the declaration with regard to the citizenship of the first inventor.

Applicants herewith include a new Declaration that is believed to be in compliance with 37 CFR §1.67. Applicants accordingly respectfully request that the Examiner accept the new Declaration.

The Examiner has objected to the drawings because of a minor informality. In particular, the Examiner indicates that Figure 1 should be designated by a legend such as -- Prior Art -- because only that which is old is illustrated.

Applicants enclose herewith a drawing sheet for Figure 1 in which Figure 1 is designated by the legend -- Prior Art --. The drawing sheet is marked "Replacement Sheet."

Further to the Examiner's suggestion, Applicants have verified that (1) all reference characters in the drawings are described in the Detailed Description portion of the specification and (2) all reference characters mentioned in the specification are included in the appropriate drawing Figures.

Applicants accordingly respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection to the drawings.

The Examiner has objected to the disclosure because of alleged various informalities and has required appropriate correction.

First, the Examiner alleges that the substitute specification filed on April 28, 2006, does not comply with 37 CFR §1.125(b) because it was not accompanied by a statement that the substitute specification included no new matter. Applicants' representative herewith makes the statement that the substitute specification filed on April 28, 2006, includes no new matter. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this objection to the specification.

Second, the Examiner requests that various revisions be made to the specification for clarification purposes and to correct contradictions. In particular, the Examiner points out various informalities in the text with regard to paragraphs [0029] and [0033]. Amendments

have been made to address these informalities. Amendments have also been made to paragraphs [0025], [0026], and [0028] to address other informalities not noted by the Examiner. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw these objections to the specification.

Finally, the Examiner notes the use of trademarks in the specification and claim 24. Applicants can find no mention of these trademarks in the application. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this objection.

The Examiner has objected to claim 19 because of various alleged informalities. Applicants have reviewed the alleged informalities as pointed out by the Examiner and have made the requested changes. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objections to the claims.

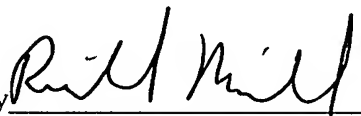
Claim 32 has been amended to add a period at the end thereof.

Applicants believe that the foregoing amendments and remarks are fully responsive to the Office Action and thank the Examiner for allowing the claims.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference with Applicants' attorneys would be advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed for the one-month extension fee. If any additional charges are incurred with respect to this Amendment, they may be charged to Deposit Account No. 503342 maintained by Applicants' attorneys.

Respectfully submitted,

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